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MINING MATTERS.

Work Has Commenced on Two New Properties.

INTEREST IN LOW-GRADE DEPOSITS.

MANY MINING MEN IN TOWN.—A PROMISING OUTLOOK.

Mining throughout the district has been unusually active this week, and the approaching fall will see more legitimate development work than has ever been the case in Western Ontario. Work has been commenced on two new properties, one on the Manitoba Boundary, under the direction of Mr. Pettigrew, and the other about six miles from town, by the Black Hawk Mining Co.

The Wendigo Co. has completed arrangements for a 20-stamp mill, and several other companies are showing renewed activity. The big improvements at the Mikado are also creating great interest, and demonstrating that this large English company has faith in the permanency of this reef.

Another evidence of the promising situation in mining circles is the outside interest being manifested in our large low-grade reefs, and as one of our most prominent mining engineers has said the future of the district largely depends upon the working of our low-grade deposits, this is a promising sign.

Mill for the Wendigo.

Less than a year ago development work was started on the Wendigo mine, and so satisfactory has been the

results that Mr. Hunter, the manager, who is now in the east, has ordered a 20 stamp mill from the Jenckes Machine Co., together with a 6 drill compressor plant from the Jas. Cooper Mfg Co. The mill will be installed before the snow flies. Mr. Hunter is expected here tomorrow evening.

BLACK HAWK MINING CO.

Purchase a Claim From Jake Hennessy for \$5,000, and Commence Work.

Col. Morgan, of Cleveland, accompanied by Messrs. Stuber and W. E. Watson, of the same place, have been in town this week in connection with business of the Black Hawk Mining Co. The company owns claims P215 Isabella; P216, F. R.; and P246, Black Hawk; close to the Grey Eagle mine, about six miles from town and four miles from the Sultana.

They purchased P215 from Jake Hennessy this week, the price being \$5,000, and work will be commenced on the property at once, with W. E. Watson as superintendent of the work.

Col. Morgan is president and managing-director of the company, and Mr. Stuber is the secretary-treasurer. The directorate of the company comprises some very wealthy and prominent Americans, and when it is advisable to let the public know their names it will come as a pleasant surprise. It augurs well for the success of mining in this district that such men have been induced to take hold, and in a short time they will probably control many interests.

The Moor-Black Property.

W. D. Pettigrew, who has taken an option on behalf of an old country syndicate, on the Moor-Black mining property in the Manitoba boundary district, left this week with a staff of men to begin operations. This property is said to be one of the most promising in the district, and if it maintains its present indications, work will be vigorously pushed.

LITTLE BOBS MINING CO.

First General Meeting of Shareholders Held Wednesday.

The first general meeting of the shareholders of the Little Bobs Gold Mining Co. was held Wednesday last

and nearly thirty years ago, are to be opened. An English company, with new capital, is clearing away the ruined buildings, pumping out the abandoned shafts and tunnels, buying improved and modern hoisting and reducing machinery, and the Bruce is expected to take its place once more as an important producer.

W. J. Messenary, of Halifax, N.S., was in town this week. He is interested in some claims in the Hawk Lake district.

F. D. Sargeant, of St. Paul, was in town yesterday and left on a visit to the Triggs mine.

John F. Caldwell, of Winnipeg, paid a visit to the Sultana this week.

G. W. Huer, of Philadelphia, paid a visit to the Sultana and Mikado this week.

Manager McMillan of the Mikado mine was in town this week. He says work on the new boarding house and other buildings at the mine is progressing very satisfactorily, as is also the new development work.

Frank Peterson and Mr. Meville left this week for the Manhattan mine where development work will be pushed. Mr. Meville will return in a short time to take charge of the work at the Combine.

Mr. Geo. H. Ham, manager of the C. P. R. advertising department, Montreal, made a friendly call at the Mixer office today. Genial Grogan was one of the pioneer newspapermen of Winnipeg, and is well known from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Contractor Birbeck was in from the Homestake this week, and reports satisfactory progress being made in sinking, though water has caused some little trouble. A large new vein has been discovered on the property which carries splendid values. It will likely be opened up in a short time.

Winnipeg Fall Regatta.

Says the Winnipeg Free Press: The fall regatta of the Winnipeg Rowing Club will be held on Sept. 8. An invitation has been extended to Rat Portage to be represented with a shell four, single and double, and lapstreak fours. The club now has two lapstreak doubles, and are going to make the double scull races one of the features of the regatta. The Rat Portage club sets great store on its single and double scullers, and is under the impression that they can hold their own with pretty nearly everything in a boat. This may be the case, but they will be given a chance should they accept the Winnipeg invitation to prove this without question if they succeed in defeating the men now practicing

OUR SCHOOL ON TOP

An Almost Clean Sweep at the Recent Departmental Exams.

BY PUPILS OF R. P. HIGH SCHOOL.

AHEAD OF ALL OTHERS IN ONTARIO IN PERCENTAGE OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES.

Rat Portage High School achieved an enviable reputation at the recent departmental examinations in the number of successful candidates. We believe we would be right in saying that the percentage of successful candidates is higher than that of any other high school or collegiate institute in the province. In Part I Junior Leaving, 71 per cent. of candidates passed, and Miss H. Stacey obtained over 75 per cent. of marks possible, and therefore receives an honor certificate. In Part I Junior Matriculation and Part II Junior Matriculation and Junior Leaving, all the candidates were successful.

This record must be gratifying to the teaching staff of our High School, as well as to the candidates, and the town has every reason to be proud of the institution. Last year the school board erected one of the finest school buildings in the province, and the teachers and pupils have this year established a record in keeping. Following are the names of the successful candidates:

Junior Matriculation, Part I—C. Bunn, W. Chapple, D. Campbell, A. Drysdale, S. Griffiths, W. Mather, P. McLaughlin, T. Phillips, S. Scovil, H. Woods.

Junior Leaving, Part I—G. Campbell, A. Chaloner, F. Harold, G. McMurdie, M. Scott, G. Stevens, H. Weidman, G. Mitchell, E. Southworth, H. Stacey (honors).

Junior Matriculation, Part II—H. Clark.

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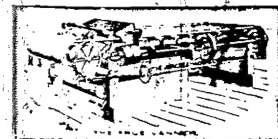
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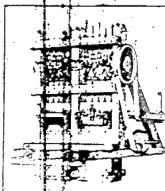
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The first general meeting of the shareholders of the Little Bobs Gold Mining Co. was held Wednesday last in the offices of Messrs. Langford and Moran. The secretary of the company presented the report of the provisional directors which showed the affairs of the company to be in a very satisfactory state. Following are the directors elected for the present year: Pres. S. S. Cummins, Vice Pres. M. T. Hunter, Sec. Treas. T. Walsh, F. Gardner, R. Rogers, all of Rat Portage and W. R. Allan, Winnipeg.

Work on the property on Denmark lake is producing good results. The vein is a very large one over sixty feet wide, and carrying from \$4 to \$5 to the ton.

Considering the fact that these values have been obtained by careful sampling at the bottom of the cross trenches over every foot of the vein, which is 10 feet in width and over 100 feet in length, and the further fact that the vein is traceable for over 500 feet on land and to an unknown length under water, the company have one of the very largest free milling bodies of ore in the district.

The values on this great body are high enough to warrant in the very near future the erection of a mill of several hundred stamps. The more that is known of the great gold bearing dykes of this district the more satisfied are we that, like other gold fields of prominence, this may be considered a district where low grade propositions are the ones to be most energetically pushed, and from which the surest returns will be obtained.

With the x x Mining Public

Superintendent Macmillan, of the Mikado mine, arrived in town Tuesday, bringing with him gold bricks to the value of \$5,000, as a result of the semi-monthly cleaning of the plates. Mr. Macmillan reports that the extensive improvements, including the sinking of a new shaft which is now down 250 feet, various surface works, and the immense boarding house were rapidly nearing completion, which when finished will make the Mikado the finest mine in the district.

Mr. A. Milne, accountant at the Mikado, was in town this week.

J. Burley Smith is in town on mining business.

J. H. Caslor, of Buffalo, who is going to develop a mining location near Savanne, has been in town for some days.

A dispatch from Sault Ste. Marie says: "The Bruce Copper mines, from which large quantities of material have

the double skull races one of the features of the regatta. The Rat Portage club sets great store on its single and double scullers, and is under the impression that they can hold their own with pretty nearly everything in a boat. This may be the case, but they will be given a chance should they accept the Winnipeg invitation to prove this without question if they succeed in defeating the men now practicing on the Red.

Lacrosse.

The Fort William lacrosse team passed through town yesterday morning in a private car for Winnipeg, where they play the Winnipeg team today for the championship of the north-west. The winners will play the St. Paul team on Saturday. Geo. Duhaime, formerly of Rat Portage, will be between the flags for Fort William, while Roach and Ewing, two more former Rat Portage players, are prominent members of the Winnipeg team. It is a pity Rat Portage has not grounds on which to play the national game, as the town would support a first-class team and our young men would be induced to stay at home. The Fort William team is in charge of that veteran sportsman, "Mac" Reichen.

Labor Day Celebration.

The local trades unions have about completed arrangements for a monster demonstration on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3. In the morning a street parade will take place, in which the different sections of organized labor in town will take part, as well as the fire brigade and several other local organizations. Space will be allotted in the parade for the floats and representations of merchants and manufacturers of the town who desire to keep in harmony with organized labor. Our business men should encourage in every way possible this celebration, and help to make the street parade a credit to the town. All the available music will be included in the parade. In the afternoon a program of sports and games will be held on the Rideout estate.

In regard to the latter, as there have not been any land sports whatever this year, the prospect for keen competition is bright. The programme for these events promises to be a lengthy one, and the prizes which will be set apart will be well worth competing for. The committee having charge will have the grounds put in as good shape as possible.

Cheap Excursion to Toronto.

The Canadian Pacific Railway will run a cheap excursion to Toronto exhibition. The tickets will be on sale from August 26 to Sept. 3. For full particulars apply to C.P.R. agent.

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Junior Leaving, Part II - L. Ward, A. Duncan.

Rumohr To Meet Ten Eyck.

New York, Aug. 23. - John A. Rumohr, who won the American championship in singles from E. H. Ten Eyck, and who has been challenged by the Massachusetts sculler for a race on Quinsigamond, says according to the press, that he is willing to row Ten Eyck on any body of water except that lake. He avers the advantages there are too many in Ten Eyck's favor to being near his home. Frier: or Rumohr are willing, they insist to back him for a side purse of ten \$1,000 to \$5,000, and they say if Ten Eyck is willing Rumohr will race with him as a professional.

Drowned in the Traverse.

Captain Williams, of the fish boat Daisy Moore, brought the news of a drowning accident to town Monday. Herman Howell, of Ratny River, was upset from a canoe near Radway's fishery Friday last, and drowned in eight feet of water. The body was found Saturday and buried Monday. Howell was about 35 years of age, and leaves a wife and family.

The Ariel Won.

Not satisfied with the result of the first sailing race, held on Aug. 15th, the owners of the yachts Ariel, Dandy and Hay arranged to sail another race for \$100 a corner, winner to take all. The yachts started at 3 o'clock on Saturday afternoon with barely a fresh wind to fill their sails, the Ariel leading, the Hay second and Dandy third. The course was around a reef in the Kewatin channel, out and return. When nearly to the turning point a violent wind storm accompanied by a deluge of rain struck the boats and they were badly tossed about. They all managed, however, to weather the gale by reducing sail, and when the storm passed the Dandy was in the lead. On the run home, however, Ariel pulled away and won by over ten minutes, Dandy second and Hay third.

The Rodgers Clothing Co. have purchased the stock of Potchick & Co., Hillard House Block, and will sell clothing, furnishings and shoes cheap for 15 days.

SONSHIP REALIZED

Synopsis of a Sermon by the
Rev. W. M. Rochester

IN KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ON SUNDAY LAST—ISOLATION OF SONSHIP—THE HOPE OF SONSHIP.

A scene cannot be taken in at the first glance, nor a work of art appreciated at sight. Many books will stand a second reading, and yield fresh thought after even years of study. In other words, it takes time for the truth to dawn upon the mind. The light steals over the earth in the morning, first grey, then clear, and soon, in full flood when the glorious sun himself is seen. This slow dawning of truth has been specially noted when a sudden and happy deliverance has been brought to men or an unexpected privilege bestowed. The liberated slave has found it hard to believe his freedom; and the wail taken into a comfortable home thinks it still too good news to be true that this comfort and plenty are all for one who but yesterday was without shelter and friend. So difficult, and tardy, may be a man's recognition of his sonship in the household of God. Though a fact in the mind of God it may not have dawned upon the mind of man, or may have been imperfectly understood. That the standing before God may be regarded to us in all its varied aspects of obligation and privilege; this light extract from the letter of the disciple whom Jesus loved gives ample assurance. These are the promises cited and emphasized.

1. Acceptance with God. Observe the confident tone of this utterance, "Now are we the sons of God." That they, the writer and the written to, were then, and fully accepted in the beloved was in the apostle's mind beyond question. This note of assurance sounds throughout the letter as indicated in the repeated use of "we know." Was Paul writing either in thought or speech in this matter? No! He, with marked frequency, and confidence refers to his own and the relation of all believers to God. They are His children. The prayer taught us by Christ takes for granted that the supplicant has had made good to Him the fact of sonship. "Our Father which art in heaven," "I did," said the Rev. Dr. Cooke, of Belfast, "in the full assurance of understanding in the full assurance of faith, and the full assurance of hope." Men may die with the confidence, they are accepted in God, but equally true is it they may live in the peace of this assurance. Another has said, "Truly I can now say, 'The Holy Spirit has led me into the truth, and the truth has made me free.'"

That love to them is real and fathomless.

3. The isolation of Sonship. There is a loneliness of state as real as loneliness of space. There may be crowds without company. Men sometimes find themselves most sensibly and awfully alone, not in the desert or in the heart of a great forest, but amid the throng and press of living life. Banishment is not so much a trial as to be denied recognition and sympathy. The world knew not Christ. It must therefore misunderstand His brethren. Whatever therefore is of trial in this for us we must prepare ourselves to bear it. It is a consequence of sonship that soon is made real to men. Indeed, by this one's sonship may be affirmed or denied. "The world's whole course is one great act of non-recognition of God." In the light of that truth can the words of Bengel surprise us? "If they who regard not God hold their in any account, feel alarmed about thy state." "Marvel not if the world hate you." This is the trial of sonship, this the cross to be carried on the new way. See how Jesus stood alone. Shall we be waiting in courage and endurance? Remember the compensation for such loss. Jesus thus expressed himself to those who said they had left all and followed Him. There is no man that hath left home, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the Gospel's, but he shall receive an hundred-fold, now in this time, houses and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.

4. The hope of sonship. No full disclosure is made. It hath not seen nor our heart, nor hath it entered into the heart of man to conceive the things God hath for them that wait for Him. There is a glory awaiting God's children of which the half hath not been told. A glimpse is here given: "It doth not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when He shall appear we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." Princes travel in disguise. Bly and by, when the homeland is reached, "here royalty is disclosed. The manifestation of the sons of God is not yet. It is coming on steadily, surely, however. They shall then be seen in the likeness of Christ. To be conformed to His image they are chosen. That goal reached, that end attained, hope has its full fruition. This the hope of sonship.

"A hope so great and so divine."
"May trials well endure."

5. The new life of sonship. We are called into holiness. If this station has its privileges, it is not without its obligations. "Every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself as He is pure." The hope of glory purifies. Men who look for likeness to Jesus strive to attain thereto. Beholding as in a glass the face of our Lord Jesus Christ, we are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the spirit of our Lord. Hope always affects life. We labor toward the fulfillment of hope. "A good hope, through grace, animates, and gives life to action, and purifies as it goes, like the highland stream, that descends from the rock and purifies itself as it pursues its course to the ocean." This hope cannot be realized otherwise, for there shall not enter therein who never wrought abomination or made a lie.

Business Progression.

Apollinaris

("THE QUEEN OF TABLE WATERS")

BEWARE OF SUBSTITUTIONS.

THE CRIMEAN WAR.

It Was Started In a Controversy Over a Door Key.

As an instance of what great events can follow trivial happenings the genesis of the Crimean war is interesting.

In 1851 Louis Napoleon demanded of the sultan that the Latin monks should have a key to the great door of the church at Bethlehem; that they should have a key to each of the doors of the Cave to the Nativity and the privilege of setting up there a silver star bearing the arms of France.

After a year of arduous negotiation the Turkish government yielded, and in February, 1853, the keys were handed over to the Latin monks, and the silver star was established in the sanctuary of Bethlehem.

Unfortunately Emperor Nicholas, as head of the Greek church, considered this an infringement of his rights and immediately ordered 150,000 men across the Turkish frontier. At the same time he demanded that the claims of the Christian population of Turkey should be secured by treaty with himself, but the sultan refused this, with the support of France, Austria and Prussia.

The czar then proceeded to seize the Danubian provinces, proclaiming at the same time that he had "no intention to commence war."

The central European countries attempted to secure a compromise, but neither party would agree to their proposal, and in October the sultan declared war.

England and France joined him, and so from such slight beginnings sprang the most merciless, bloody and fruitless struggle of the nineteenth century. —New York Journal.

TEE-TEE-TOTAL.

About September 1853, Dicky Turner, the converted reaver, when delivering one of his fervid speeches in the Temperance hotel, Preston, the cockpit where the ears of Jacoby formerly fought their combats for three centuries, in favor of the new pledge, declared with emphasis that "nothing but the tee-tee-total pledge would do." Mr. Joseph Lavesey upon hearing this immediately cried out amid great cheering, "That shall be the name." The newly coined word was taken up by the teetotaling speaker and was afterwards used at all the meetings held in the town and neighborhood. It was soon adopted by every part of Lancashire and was eventually accepted as the best word for total abstinence. A teetotaler is the United Kingdom's best

in typemaking, and it was discovered that three or four nicks on the side of the type made it easier for the printer to handle, and so the three or four nicked type came into style and the two nicked type went into disuse and bad repute. Printers despised the two nicked type. About that time women got a foothold in the printing offices. They were not regarded with favor by the old time printers. The women and the two nicked type were in about the same category in the esteem of the old type, and it was very natural that he should come to express both by the same words. They both became "two nickers," and the expression has become traditional in printshops. —Menphis Scimitar.

GROWTH OF CARICATURE.

John Law's Wild Schemes Gave It a Tremendous Impetus.

Caricature is nowadays one of the principal methods of criticism. No movement can overreach the mark without eliciting dozens of works of art from caricaturists all over this and all other countries.

This branch of criticism and attack dates far back, but the greatest impulse it ever felt came from the age of tremendous speculation, when, in 1733 and 1739, John Law was multiplying things financial in France. (Never before had the financial world been so carried off its feet as it was at that time. Members of the nobility were waiting for a chance to purchase shares in Law's schemes. Duchesses and ladies of high renown tried their most persuasive charms on Law in the attempt to get hold of shares. Men hired out their backs for writing desks, so great was the press of business in making contracts, and one hundred shares is reported to have made 100,000 francs in this way in a few weeks. The French went verily mad over the schemes to become wealthy. Naturally the papers of the time, especially those of Holland, caricatured the state of affairs. There were pictures of all sorts, caricaturing Law, the nobles, the schemes and everything connected with them.

It was this tremendous amount of pictorial work that first developed caricatures. (William Hogarth did his deal in this direction. The word began to be used more and more in general talk and soon pervaded the whole of the English literature. There were then a few caricatures here and there, but not many, and most of them of a cheap, vulgar nature, and of a low class. —Boston.

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CONDENSED NEWS.

Items of General Interest to Our Readers From All Parts of the World.

Nine of the striking metal polishers of the Hamilton Brass Manufacturing Company have been served with summonses to appear at the Police Court to answer to charges of intimidation.

Crops in Calgary district are estimated as follows: Wheat, 32 bushels per acre; barley, 45; oats, 70; rye, 35.

John H. Brewster of South Norfolk, Manitoba, gives notice that he will appear to Parliament next session for a bill of divorce from his wife.

A sad drowning accident occurred in the Red river at St. John's Wednesday night. McCaw, a boy 10 years of age was in bathing with a companion, the young son of Norman Matheson, when he got out of his depth and was never able to recover himself.

Gerald Sifton and Alvalet Horbat were committed for trial at the September assizes at London on the charge of murdering Jos. Sifton. The proceedings were of a purely formal nature and no statement was made nor argument offered by the defense. One thousand three hundred and one pages of testimony were produced and verified to under oath by the stenographer. Counsel for the defense waived the reading of the evidence and Squire Smith committed both prisoners for trial. The assizes open on September 24.

Chas. Newrick of Corinth, aged 17 years, was drowned while bathing in Big Otter Creek at Port Burwell.

The late King Humbert has left a handsome fortune, which is estimated from £50,000 to £125,000.

Heavy rains continue in the famine-afflicted districts of India, with a consequent alleviation of distress.

Orders have just been sent to Abyssinia for fresh drafts of reinforcements to the British in South Africa.

Among many fabrications which are being circulated by the Boer leaders to encourage their men is a story that Lord Roberts is dying.

Arthur McGuffee, a farmer, about 31 years of age, who lived near St. David's, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head with a rifle.

Mr. Robert Hobson, Secretary of the Hamilton St. L. & Iron Company, has received and is confirming the rumor that his brother, Mr. Jack Hobson, is being held prisoner by the Boers.

A despatch from Rio de Janeiro that an important medical discovery, the cause of Bright's disease, has been made by Dr. Ovid Brown, formerly of New York and now of Rome.

Charles Iron, a Montreal pressman, after a jump, which set fire to his infant child. The mother rushed to the child's assistance, and both were profoundly injured.

Manassas Cutler of Massachusetts, in a circular in 1787 "booming" the settlement which the New Englanders were about to plant on the Ohio at the mouth of the Muskingum, declared that "the current down the Ohio and the Mississippi," for produce and merchandise of all sorts, would one day "be more crowded than any other streams on earth," which was a remarkable prediction, considering that it was made 20 years before Fulton's Clermont was launched in the Hudson, which was the first steamboat in the world ever put in successful operation. —Leslie's Weekly.

Spoken In Hoary.

Weary Watkins—Anything interestin in that there paper you got round your handout?

Hungry Higgins—Oh, yes! Mighty interestin to you an' me. On one side they is a billofare for a banquet, an on the other they is a description of them new counterfeit twentys!—Indianapolis Press.

"The girl that carries off the young man in the east," said the corp-few philosopher "is the one that knows enough not to know too much."—Indianapolis Journal.

Bullfrog or Conscience.

"Are you one of the officers of the treasury department?" asked the man with the bloodshot eyes.

"I am assistant secretary of the treasury," was the reply. "What can I do for you?"

"Well, it's rather a confidential business, and I don't want to go any further, but I've come to pay the government some money that I guess I owe it fairly. I came back from Europe some time ago with some dutiable goods concealed about me and got past the revenue officers with them. I figure that I bent the government out of about \$4, and I've come to square up and get the matter off my mind."

"Well," responded the assistant secretary, "we have what we call a conscience fund, and as this seems to be a case of conscience."

"I don't know that it's my conscience that troubles me," said the visitor, "but I do know there's a big bullfrog that stays in a pond near where I live, and he keeps me awake, night after night, with his infernal 'cough up, cough up,' and I've got tired of it."—Chicago Tribune.

If All Candidates Were White.

The word "candidate" is from the Latin "candidatus," literally it means white robed, and it was thus called be-

A JAPANESE DINNER.

HOW THE DISTASTEFUL FOOD IS SERVED AND EATEN.

Squatting Before Tables Six Inches High. One Wrestles With Chopsticks and Tiny Bowls, the While Waited Upon by Barefooted Maids.

To an American given to stiff joints and corpulency a Japanese dinner is a tedious experience, especially when he's used to business lunches and the like. But it is worth trial and discomfort if one is fortunate enough to be the guest of a rich man, for in Japan hospitality is one of the cardinal virtues.

Western customs and usages have found their way into many homes of the wealthy, whose dinners and lunches are the counterpart of those with which we are all familiar. But a real Japanese dinner, including chopsticks, lacquer trays and tiny cups, is a thing never to be forgotten.

Japanese houses are made up of sliding screens instead of our solid partitions and in summer are all left open, so that, seated at dinner, one looks out over the gardens, seeing the lights of the city in the distance, and the scent of a thousand flowers blows in with every breath of air.

The guests remove their shoes on entering the house and, except when provided with a pair of cotton overshoes, must spend the evening in stocking feet unless happily the host has an extra pair. The wife of a Japanese gentleman does not preside at his table unless there are ladies in the party, but appears with the tea and sweetmeats, which always precede a dinner, as do our cocktails and sherry, etc. She merely greets the guests and appears again only when the goodbys are said.

Silken cushions are scattered about the floor and the guests are arranged according to rank, for the Japanese are, of course, great sticklers for form and ceremony. Little tables, some six inches high, are placed before each one and barefooted waiting maids in graceful and prettily dined kimonos bring in lacquer trays with several tiny covered bowls.

Before leaving the trays on the table they set them on the floor, and, dropping on their knees, make their best bow, touching their foreheads to the floor. Chopsticks take the place of knives and forks; but, unlike our weapons of attack, are made of wood. They are never used twice, unless faintly looking, when they are of carved ivory of the most exquisite workmanship, as are also the lacquer trays, bowls and cups.

The host sets an example by removing the covers from the tiny bowls, and the guest, doing likewise, finds an assortment of food quite new and generally most distasteful. Muttering up much skill one attempts getting the food on chopsticks from the tables to one's mouth. The first few times most of it falls on the floor or on one's lap

MEETING A BIG LINER

NOT EASY TO BOARD AN INCOMING VESSEL IN NEW YORK BAY.

Uncle Sam Grants Few Requests For Passes on the Revenue Cutters Which Go Out to Meet the Steamships From European Ports.

When it is generally understood, as it generally is not, that fully 300 persons make application daily in season for passes to board incoming ocean steamers from revenue cutters, and that not more than 2 per cent of the requests are granted, it may be understood how valuable the treasury department considers these privileges. The occurrence is rare, but is nevertheless legal for the master of the ship for which a pass calls to refuse to permit the holder to board his ship. All revenue cutter passes are issued by the collector of the port and must be countersigned by the surveyor. The revenue of every country or dutiable personal effects depends for its volume on the ability of the customs authorities to have them duly listed and taxed on arrival.

In the event of a promiscuous granting of cutter passes it would be possible for a certain dishonest element that is to be found under every sun to meet incoming friends down the bay and surreptitiously bring ashore at the pier valuables purchased abroad.

The treasury department trusts few, a fact that has increased Uncle Sam's revenue a great deal, as the majority of the boarding officers know. Recently the holder of a pass boarded a White Star liner and was approached by a passenger to whom he was a perfect stranger. The latter said:

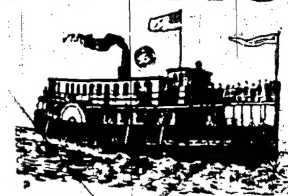
"I understand you are connected with so and so. I have a small package here that I would like to take ashore. There is nothing dutiable in it, but you understand how the government piles it on. I will meet you at the head of the gangway when I get my luggage released, and I will take the package from you."

Not only did this pass holder not take the package, but the first thing he did upon landing was to point out the passenger to a member of the surveyor's staff, who very promptly demanded and received the package. It contained jewelry of all descriptions. That an unauthorized person may not get on board an incoming craft in advance of the customs officials the following is attached to every pass that is issued for the revenue cutters.

"This permission is understood to be subject to the assent of the master of the steamship and of the health officer as guardian of the public health, and boarding is strictly forbidden until after the customs officers are in charge, according to the following extract from the passenger act, 1882:

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important medical discovery. The case of Bright's disease, has been made by Dr. Ovid Brown, formerly of New York and now of Rome.

Charles Iron, a Montreal pressman, was found dead, with a fire in his mouth. The mother rushed to the child's assistance and both were probably fatally burned.

John Triggema Bildolph, Arnold, son of Sir Edwin Arnold, has been ordered extradited to England, on charges of embezzling over \$80,000 of the estate of John Thomas Donville Taylor. Arnold had already been ordered extradited on two charges and will be given a hearing on still another.

A London dispatch says the Duke of Yorks planning a visit to Canada in a few weeks as the commander-in-chief of the new royal yacht Victoria and Prince Albert. He may also visit the United States.

While in a fit of despondency, brought on by long illness, John Vail of Exeter North committed suicide by hanging himself in a tree in John Blatchford's woods. It appears he arose early in the morning and did his work at the barn as usual. Not returning at the usual time, however, Mrs. Vail became alarmed and search was made with the above result.

A patent has been granted to Nicola Tesla for an invention, which if his claims are substantiated, will prevent the use of electricity from a wire. Tesla's invention, it is claimed, solves the problem in a simple manner. It insulates the wire by passing through it, or over it, an kept at a low temperature, producing a sort of ice on the wire, which the inventor finds by repeated and extensive experiments cannot be broken through by the strongest currents and at the same time gives an insulation that costs practically nothing. By means of this latest discovery the loss of energy or electrical energy in transmission is claimed, can be made as small as to be insignificant. The power can be transmitted at great distances by means of underground wires.

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stays in a pond near where I live, and keeps me awake. Right after night, with his infernal 'cough up, cough up' and 'I've got tired of it'—Chicago Tribune.

If All Candidates Were White.

The word "candidate" is from the Latin "candidatus," literally it means 'white robed,' and it was thus called because in Rome those who sought office wore a glittering white toga. Fable, if you can, all our modern Americans dressed in accordance with their political ambitions. In some sections there would be no such thing as a dark suit of clothes. Washington would simply be one shining center of universal whiteness.

That's All.

"I hear that Bellingham has married money," said Perkasee. "It's a false report," replied Rotting-dean. "He married a cashgirl."—Detroit Free Press.

The Tomahawk or Tomahawk.

Tomahawk eventually came to designate the "war hatchet" of the Indian, supplied by the military commanders of the whole continent. In equipping the warriors on the many expeditions in which French and English were constantly engaged, and was furnished the Indian allies of the English in our war of independence.

This weapon was often in the form of a spear or hatchet made on one side, while upon the opposite side there was a cuplike cavity, with a small hole extending into the eye of the weapon, in which a tough handle of wood was fitted 15 inches or two feet in length. The handle was perforated almost its entire length, and below the hollow of the bowl it was bored at right angles to this perforation, a suitable stemhole for the passage of the tobacco smoke when the implement was in use as a pipe.

The tomahawk pipe was not only attractive and popular to trade, but, like the earlier trade pipe, was given as a present at councils and ratifications of treaties. It was a pipe, a hatchet and a mace or hammer all in one and answered an important military requirement in lessening the weight and inconvenience of the warrior, who otherwise would have laboriously held to the stone pipe, which in itself was heavier than the tomahawk.—Smithsonian Institution Report.

The Tramp's Advice.

She was standing on the front porch reading the story paper, which had just come in the mail.

"Madam," said Meandering Mike, "did I see you brush away a tear just now?"

"S'posin I did," she returned. "It's no business of yours."

"I spoke in kindness, lady. You ain't treatin' yourself right to cry an read both at once. It's a double strain on yer eyes, an you might as well listen to my hard luck stories an save yer eyes exclusively for de weeps. If you likes touchin' stories, lady, here's yer chance to have 'em brought to yer door, an you needn't pay \$2 a year's subscription in advance, neither. It's de chance of yer life, lady, to trade off cold victuals for patoots."—Washington Star.

The host sets an example by removing the covers from the tin bowls, and the guest, doing likewise, finds an assortment of food quite new and generally most distasteful. Mustering up much skill (one attempts getting the food on chopsticks from the tables to one's mouth). The first few times most of it falls on the floor or on one's lap. The wretched sticks wobble and cross each other as if focused. When almost desperate, the good host is apt to come to the rescue by suggesting lifting the bowls, and with the aid of a chopstick, shoveling the food in, as one would potatoes into a barrel.

In each course there are half a dozen dishes, and the host tells what they are. First, shumono, a bean soup; kuchitori, chestnuts boiled and crushed into a mush; kamaboko, fish picked fine and rolled into little balls and baked; sashimi, raw fish cut into thin slices and covered with ice. This is dipped into rich sauce called soy, and is really very good. Little cups of warm sake, the native brandy made of rice, are served with each course. Napkins and bread are unknown quantities.

The second course is a small fish boiled whole. One has a chance here to get in some fine play with the chopsticks—unani, bits of fowl boiled with potatoes or lotus roots, a salad of onions, peas and string beans, with a few leaves of lettuce; sunomono, sea snails served with eggplant mashed, and chaman, mushi, a thick soup made of fish and vegetables, with mushrooms for a relish.

The third course is a curry of rice and pickled vegetables, and for a fourth and final course you have sobo, a sort of buckwheat vermicelli served with soy and a sweet liquor called mirin; shiruto, rice cakes, seaweed and confectionery of all sorts, which are very sweet and tasteless.

During the dinner each guest rises and proposes the health of the host and one other guest until the whole party is disposed of. This custom is rather hard on the guests, for sake is fiery stuff and goes to one's head more quickly than our own brandy. To make matters worse, after one has drunk the health of all the company it is customary to drink the health of the waitresses, who bow their foreheads to the floor in acknowledgment.

At the close of a dinner the tabako bon, a tray holding a hibachi with live coals in a cone of ashes and a section of bamboo for an ash receiver, is put before each guest, and cigars and cigarettes are passed around. When all is over, one feels very hungry, stiff in the joints and, if the dinner has been a large one, very much in need of a stimulant.

Hair-Trigger Language.

"So you finally proposed?" said his chum.

"Well, to tell the truth," returned the thoughtful youth, "I really didn't know that I proposed, but she accepted me, so I guess that settles it. I tell you this language of ours is not to be used lightly."—Chicago Post.

"Friends are always ridy to push ye up," said the janitor philosopher, "but very few at him will put a finger bid under ye when ye fall."—Chicago News.

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"Section 9. That it shall not be lawful for the master of any (such) steamship or other vessel not in distress after the arrival of the vessel within any collection district of the United States to allow any person or persons except a pilot, officer of the customs or health officer, agents of the vessel and consuls to come on board of the vessel or to leave the vessel until the vessel has been taken in charge by an officer of the customs nor after charge so taken without leave of such officer until all the passengers, with their baggage, have been duly landed from the vessel."

When the revenue cutter pass system was originally introduced, nobody in the government employ seems to know. In the old days it was the custom to meet relatives and friends back from an ocean trip on the pier heads. The revenue cutter pass is a simple piece of paper in itself, but is the study of many years and countless number of practical officials. The manner in which it is obtained, the demands made upon its holder, the restrictions as to its use and its composition in every way are the result of innumerable revisions of passes that have preceded it during the last 20 years, and it now omits nothing that will protect Uncle Sam, as it really should do.

A few years ago it was possible for all sorts of idlers to gain admission to a pier while the passengers of a ship from foreign parts were landing. This had been the practice for some years, and the steamship gateman had the sole and exclusive right of deciding who should enter. It was supposed and frequently discovered in individual cases that dutiable goods were secretly passed to these friends who came down to welcome the homelcomer.

As a consequence the inability to get a revenue cutter pass did not make much material difference, the dock affording full scope for any desired work in a dishonest way. To protect the purposes of the cutter passes and to place a further barrier around illegal practices the treasury department recently made a new rule that admission to a pier during the docking of an incoming steamer could be obtained by card only. This admission ticket, like the revenue cutter passes, is not transferable and must bear the name of the holder, the signature of the steamship company and the indorsement of the collector of the port. The perfection of the cutter pass system as to transfer may be appreciated when it is stated that the beneficiary of the pass must affix his name to the pass on receiving it at the custom house and again when he boards the cutter at the Battery. This eliminates all chance of the pass being transferred. Transfers have been illegally made, but the holder, being unable to furnish the same signature as that supplied at the custom house, was compelled to leave the cutter, and the pass was taken up.—New York Mail and Express.

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RAT PORTAGE, ONT., AUG. 24, 1900.**CONTRACT WORK IN MINES.**

There are two ways in which contract work is usually undertaken in a mine, says the Rossland Miner; the one is the method of paying for each foot of advance and the other per ton extracted. The first is open to the objection that untrained men will not break away as much rock as men who are better skilled. Sometimes an excessive quantity of dynamite is used, and sometimes the holes are not broken out to their full extent. The loss partly falls upon the miner, as he gets paid only by results, but also upon the mine owner, who loses much important time in getting his work forward. The loss falling on the mine will too often occasion them to form the opinion that the remuneration received for the work done is not commensurate with the exertion applied. Moreover, the waste of dynamite is frequently considerable. Again, this kind of contract, though readily applicable to straight driving and sinking, cannot easily be used in stopping. For in this latter case the excavation, instead of being regular, follows the shape of the deposit, which, lying often in curves, has its width extremely variable.

On the other hand, the method of payment per ton extracted is open to the same objections, and has another superadded. This is the cumbersome nature of the necessary details and the expense entailing in order to keep each man's output separate from that of his fellow worker. There is also another objection, which is equally applicable to either of these systems, and that is that both are inflexibly elastic. For should it be requisite in the economical working of the mine to set an extra number of drills going at any one particular part of the back, or headings for a short period, fresh contracts have to be laboriously entered upon with a consequent loss of time, which is itself the very essence of the reason of the temporary nature of

that four men under the new system can accomplish 100 to 125 feet. To effect this latter amount under the old system 50 to 60 days would be required at an average payment per man of \$3.50. Now this same work is done by four men, who obtain a considerable higher wage. A saving of 40 per cent. is thus effected. More than this there is less misdirection of energy, less waste of skill, time and material, which together will bring the economical working of the mine under the present system in vogue to an even smaller percentage on the old method.

Nor must it be considered that this saving is made from out of the pockets or out of the vital reserves of the miner. He is only working eight hours a day, and he can do, and maintains that he is able to do, as much in those eight hours as in 10 hours with less fatigue. Fewer men are employed at any one heading, but this is fully made up by the greater amount of back undercut on which other machines can be employed. Further, as this method reduces the cost of mining, bodies of low grade ore formerly untouchable, as they would not pay the expense of working, are now brought into the mining practicable, and men will soon be stopping out deposits that formerly had to be left alone.

Thus, from either point of view, from that of the worker or from that of the operator, the system is a great success. It employs more men at a higher wage, and yet does more economical.

DRAWING TO A CLOSE.

The camping season is rapidly drawing to a close and another week will see most of our summer visitors on their way home. From all points this has been a most successful season, and Rat Portage stands higher than ever in the estimation of the western people as a summer resort. Sun parched lawns, dusty streets, sweltering heat and lack of cool breathing places drove an unusual number of people from Winnipeg and other western towns to seek some cool retreat until the heated term was over, and the most of them came to Rat Portage. They found on our beautiful lake the breezes that invigorate the worn out system and stimulate to renewed activities. On the incomparable islands they found shady retreats wherein to rest both body and mind and fit them anew for life's struggle. The weather has been beautiful, comparatively little rain having fallen to inconvenience the people in the most exposed dwelling. Another pleasing feature of the summer has been the almost entire absence of flies and mosquitoes, the pests that in some seasons make life

by putting in a steam-heating plant at a cost of \$8,000, and with other improvements on that hotel that will bring the cost well up to \$20,000. A number of new residences are going up, the hospital is being enlarged, and, perhaps the best of all, from the standpoint of an investor, is the fact that the town is on a cash basis. Every dollar's worth of work being done by the town is paid for in bank cheques. In short, Port Arthur today comes pretty near being as good a town as Rat Portage, the only difference in our favor, being that we possess a splendid waterworks and sewerage system, something not yet undertaken by that town. Its rival, Port William, however, has both, and is now enlarging its sewage plant, which is an expensive pumping system, on account of it being situated on low wet ground. Port Arthur, on the contrary, is situated on high and dry ground and boasts of a natural surface drainage, which meets the present requirements of the town.

The reader may enquire, what has brought about the changed conditions in the welfare of Port Arthur? Well, briefly, it is because of the location of the eastern terminal of the new Ontario & Rainy River railroad in Port Arthur, which also is to be the seat of all its car shops and other works, and headquarters of the entire new railway system that eventually will extend from Port Arthur to Port Simpson on the Pacific coast, with branches to the Klondike and other portions of the great Canadian Northwest. It will be seen from this that the faith of the residents of Port Arthur is well founded, and that from now on an era of prosperity will continue to augment its growth and importance. Already there is talk of big wholesale establishments, a big water-power and kindred manufacturing interests, with smelters for the iron, copper and silver ores that are tributary to the town in richness and abundance. It will be well in the future to "keep your eye on Port Arthur."

During our stay in Port Arthur we made the acquaintance of a number of the best people of the two towns. Through the personal courtesy of P. Marston, of Port William, we were driven about both places, and, out to West Fort, once the lake terminus of the T. P. R., on the Kaministiquia river now chiefly owned by James Hammond, of the big Hammond Red goldmine, which promises to become one of the big gold mines of the world. The gentleman has purchased several tracts of land, in the flat on which Port William is situated, and

In the foregoing we have made no attempt at embellishment, neither has it been our intention to draw invidious conclusions as to the merits of either town. But, we can not help thinking that a second Chicago is to spring up at the head of the Canadian portion of the Great lakes, that this too had there are two towns, each striving for the mastery over the other, while it is manifest to all outsiders and disinterested people that present conditions it would have been much better were all interests there merged into one municipality. The residents — our Yankee vocabulary came near making us say "citizens" — of each town readily admit this fact, but with strenuous unanimity of opinion insist that the town in which rests their individual interests should be the one. Time, however, will tell which is the best town, unless a rapid and convergent growth yet coalesces them into one big city, and fulfils the dreams of some that the future metropolis of the Canadian Northwest shall arise in night and financial and commercial greatness on the shores of Thunder bay, which surely is an ideal spot for a great city.

THE MINER trusts that the greatest dream of our neighbors on the Great lake may yet become a thing of reality, as there are a lot of good, whole-souled enterprising people down there in both towns, which, coupled with a fortunate and beautiful location, and great natural resources at hand, should soon cause a young commercial giant to arise that will need all the vacant space now between the two towns to give it ample scope for all its latent powers and possibilities.

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set an extra number of drills being used on any one particular part of the backs, or headings for a short period, fresh contracts have to be laboriously entered upon with a consequent loss of time, which is itself the very essence of the reason of the temporary business decline.

At the War 221, the superintendent is in the third method, which while saving all the advantages of the other two, takes into itself the mobility of the other. Instead of paying out a contract for a period of time, the work is being paid for as it is done. A contract is made with each separate machine. Two shifts, each of eight hours, are employed in each of these. One band of holes, each of 100 feet depth, usually five, is drilled during these two shifts. Not is the whereabouts and the direction of the holes so drilled left to the individual will of the men with the machine. On the contrary, the foreman, a thoroughly competent mine marks before the beginning of the work the place and the direction of the hole that has to be drilled. Two men at the expiration of the work go round to every heading and change the face of the work.

It will at once be seen that this being done during the third, for two night shift, prevents time being wasted. The air also is sweet and wholesome by the time the contractors are again ready to proceed. Natural ventilation, where existent alone will clear the atmosphere of the generated gases. Thus there is less carbon in the blowers or suckers, but an artificial draught so as to render it difficult to breathe within a shaft. Even with these artificial up-draws, under the old system the air was seldom purified under 30 to 45 minutes. Here again a saving is effected. In the quantity of dynamite used restriction is necessarily employed, for where it would be hard to detect waste among 100 or 500 employees, it is easy to detect the culprit when only two or three responsible persons are employed for this portion of the work. Further, the system has the great advantage of mobility; the machines can be moved from one part of the mine to another. The only account necessary to be kept is the miners' place of working from day to day, and the rate per foot which is obtaining at the various headings, or backs, or which they are employed.

So much for the theory which has far worked exceedingly well in practice. Taking some hypothetical figures, and remembering that the old drifting was supposed to be a 200 month's work in such mine, as the War Eagle or Iron Mask, the following results are obtained: Seventy feet used to cost the labor of three shifts of two men upon each. In other words, the work of six men for one month represented 70 feet. It is now found

having fallen to inconvenience the people in the most exposed dwellings. Another pleasing feature of the summer has been the almost entire absence of flies and mosquitos, the little pests that in some seasons make life miserable.

Let us notice the advantage gained by our town this year, but on the contrary let us notice our islands and towns in the future. This can be done if the people will put under a combined effort. While the islands on Comox Island, and the accommodation of those who are interested in field sports, in this direction would be most profitable, there is there and a small way would be in the shape of a machine, connecting the island and mainland, would prove a great convenience to farmers, especially in rough weather. If Rat Portage desires to retain this summer trade it must make arrangements for other resorts are being built up in the west that will surely draw it from its western look alive.

PORT ARTHUR AND FORT WILLIAM

The editor of the MEXICAN spent several days at the Canadian head of the lakes last week and is glad to say that the towns of Port Arthur and Fort William are taking a new lease of life, respectively so as to the former, and new buildings and improvements are going forward in both places.

A year ago Port Arthur was in the dumps. There was an air of being on the verge of a crash. There was no stir, no bustle, no other activity. The sidewalks were made of lumber, rotten and broken. The piers, once the scene of bustle from the traffic of incoming and outgoing steamers and other craft, were deserted and going to decay. The town cattle were roaming at will on the grass-covered streets. The brick and stone ruins of buildings devastated by fire were standing just as left by fire of years ago, a menace to the unwary pedestrian, and a warning to the intending investors that the town, if not dead, was at least hypnotized by the C.P.R. into a long sleep, the result of the quarrel with that corporation, which also was responsible for the up-building of its hated rival, Fort William.

Today all the above is changed. The blueness of the people has given way to cheerfulness, to hope, to confidence, to action. The tumbled-down sidewalks have been, and are, being replaced by broad stone pavements that could be a credit to any city. The old brick buildings and damaged walls are being replaced by new, substantial stone and brick business blocks. New brick business blocks are going up, others are in contemplation or in the hands of contractors. New hotels are being erected and the old stand-bys, like the Great Northern and the Algoma, are being improved, the former

Hammond, of the big Hammond Reef gold mine, which promises to become one of the big gold mines of the world. This gentleman has purchased several hundred broad acres in the flat on which Fort William is situated, and his agricultural capabilities are fully demonstrated by the heaviest growth of crops in this field that we ever saw. It is safe to estimate the yield at 80 bushels to the acre. He paid \$250 an acre for the land, and it probably cost \$10 more to clear and fence. His total investment of \$3,000. The crop is estimated at 32,000 bushels, and as good as is selling at Fort William today at 15c, a little calculation will show that Mr. Hammond will not only pay for the land and clearing with this single crop. A good investment surely. Others are about to follow his example, including Mr. Marston. Another illustration of the possibilities is seen on the top of the hill above Port Arthur, on the old Dawson route, where there are today standing on J. L. Meikle's residence lot, and also on the home grounds of his neighbors, apple trees loaded with big fine-looking fruit. Mr. Meikle is one of the leading merchants of Port Arthur and the owner of a great deal of property there, but we take it that none of his possessions afford him greater pride than do those loaded apple trees. While in Mr. Marston's hands, who by the way runs two good hotels, a first-class livery, several farms, and is largely interested in mining and lumbering, we were shown through Port Arthur first, and then through Fort William. Among other points of interest we saw in and about Fort William were, the "Old East Fort," with its thick stone walls, and small loop holes, the battle ground between the Hudson's Bay and Northwest Fur companies; the big elevators; the huge coal docks; the shipping; the water works, the sewerage plant, and the business and residential parts of the town. It was pointed out to us that in that town, at least, all were on the level. There were no invidious distinctions of wealth and poverty, or class, sect or race. All were well-to-do. Most of the residents owned their homes. The bulk of the population were laboring or trades people. No one who came there need suffer for lack of employment. Many of the most prosperous men located there today boast of having struck the town with no other capital than their bare hands, with a will and a purpose to succeed. The town is the lake terminal of the C.P.R., and in connection with the boats does an immense traffic with eastern ports and Duluth, during the season of navigation. It is, and always will be a good town, especially in a commercial way. The Standard Oil Co. has recognized this fact recently by making Fort William its distributing point for the Canadian Northwest.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Matter of William George Johnson, of the Town of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, Tinsmith, Insolvent.

NOTICE is hereby given that William George Johnson, of the Town of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, Tinsmith, has made an assignment to me of all his estate and effects for the benefit of his creditors.

A meeting of the creditors will be held at my office, Main Street, Rat Portage, Ont., on the 24th day of August, A.D. 1900, at 2 p.m., for the appointment of inspectors and giving directions with reference to the disposal of the estate.

Creditors are required to file their claims against the estate with me on or before Monday, the 27th day of August, A.D. 1900. I will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which I shall then have received notice, and I will not be responsible for the assets or any part thereof to any person whose claim I shall not then have received notice.

S. S. CUMMINS,
Main St., Rat Portage, Ont.,
Assignee.
J. E. BIRD,
Solicitor for the Assignee.
Dated at Rat Portage this 14th day of August, A.D. 1900.

MORTGAGE SALE.

UNDER and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be sold by public auction at the Holland House, at the Town of Rat Portage, by Howard Barnes, Auctioneer, on Thursday, the 30th day of August, A. D. 1900, at 12 o'clock noon, the following valuable dwelling house property, namely:—

Lot Number Eighty (80) as shown on plan of sub-division of a portion of the Western Lumber Company's Mill Location filed in the Office of Land Titles at Rat Portage as Plan M. 8.

Upon the said premises is erected a one and one-half story frame dwelling house 16 feet by 20 feet with an addition 12 feet by 20 feet with stone foundation and cellar all in good repair.

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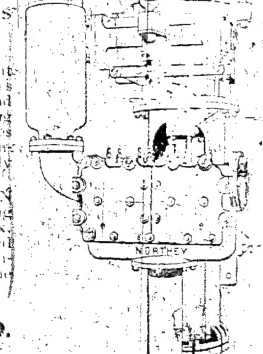
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Matter of William Clary, an Insolvent.

NOTICE is hereby given that William Clary, of the town of Rat Portage in the District of Rainy River, Baker and Confectioner, has made an assignment under the R.S.O. 1897, Chapter 147, and amending acts, to the undersigned D. H. Currie, of the Town of Rat Portage for the benefit of his creditors.

A meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned in the Town of Rat Portage, on Wednesday, the 29th day of August, 1900, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a statement of affairs, to appoint inspectors, and to give directions with reference to the disposal of the estate, and for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally.

Creditors are requested to file their claims with the assignee with proofs and particulars thereof required by the said Act on or before the date of the said meeting.

Notice is further given that after the expiration of one month from the date thereof the assignee will proceed to distribute the assets of the said debtor amongst the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which notice shall have been given, and that he will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person or persons of whose claim he shall not then have had notice.

Rat Portage 17th day of August 1900.
D. H. CURRIE,
Assignee, Rat Portage, Ont.
T. R. FERGUSON,
Solicitor for Assignee.

J. M. McPHERSON,
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Cor. Main and Bank Streets,
Portage.

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Mr. Jabez Williams was in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pender are now moving to one of Wm. Geffie's houses on Main street north.

Mrs. A. Barton has moved into her new residence on Rupert Road.

Mr. C. Robson, of Port William, is visiting friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Strong entertained a number of friends from town on Tuesday evening at their residence at the Scandinavians.

Mrs. D. Ferguson, of Chicago, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Ferguson, here, who is the great-grandmother of the late Mrs. Wm. Ferguson, is in town.

Mr. Smith, who had the misfortune to lose his left eye, is in town.

Mr. J. H. Hargrave, who has been a bookkeeper at the Emporium for about two years, has resigned, and on a holiday home, she will take a similar position in Winnipeg.

The employees of the Gardiner, Rice, & Co. held a grand home-wild dance in Rice's hall Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wright are coming on Crow Road.

P. J. Henry, of the O. & R.R.R., is visiting his family.

Mr. F. Hood, who went to Sault Ste. Marie some time ago, has been a successful prospector there, and has sent his family to join him.

Mr. H. Austin went to Winnipeg this week on business.

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Happy to Meet Again," brought to a close a most memorable occasion.

The party started for home Wednesday morning, and were favored with pleasant weather all the way home, arriving here shortly after 9 o'clock last evening. Mr. McGrossan remained at his camp at Crow Rock, and will return to town tomorrow.

JOHNSON WON EASY.

But the Race was Fixed—Hacker has Disappointed His Friends.

Local people, and especially our oarsmen, took considerable interest in the sculling race between Jack Hacker, formerly of Rat Portage, and Johnson, champion of the Pacific Coast, at Vancouver, last Saturday, but were greatly disappointed to learn on Monday that Johnson had won by five lengths. The race was three miles with a turn and the time, 2:45, was poor as compared with 2:23.35, that of the Gaudaur-Johnson race in 1888, when the water was rough and choppy. Dark hints were thrown out after the race that it had been fixed, and an investigation was set on foot. The following paragraph bears out the general feeling:

"Vancouver, Aug. 2. Oarsman Hacker today left town, but before doing so gave in an affidavit to the executive of the Vancouver Rowing Club to the effect that the race was arranged beforehand between himself, Johnson and the Quinn brothers, skiff-keepers here, by which each party to the agreement was to get a third of the proceeds."

How has the mighty fallen? Jack Hacker, in the prime of manhood, with ability to beat our best men in any race, is today despised by his best friends, and he has brought all this upon himself for a few paltry dollars. Neither he nor Johnson could now get on a race with the poorest dabbler in the country, whereas, if the race last Saturday had been straight the winner could have demanded recognition from the best oarsmen of the world, and as have clean sport or none at all.

THIS SETTLE-IT.

Vancouver, B.C., Aug. 21. I, John L. Hacker, of Rat Portage, make oath and say that it was arranged between R. N. Johnston, of Vancouver, British Columbia, and myself, to come to Vancouver, B.C., to row a three-mile race with a turn, I to receive one-third of all bets, Johnston one-third, and Quinn Bros. one-third, on condition that I should lose the race to Johnston, and I further swear that the \$1,000 stake was only a blind bet, and was told by John M. Quinn, of the city, when he landed at Rat Portage, that he was Quinn Bros. agent. It was

certain soundness and moderation of judgment which springs quite as much from character as from intellect. If you would form a wise judgment of the future of a nation, observe carefully whether these qualities are increasing or decaying. Observe carefully what qualities count for most in public life. Is character becoming of greater or of less importance? And the men who obtain the highest posts in the nation, men of whom in private life and irrespective of party competent judges speak of with genuine respect—are they of sincere conviction, consistent lives, and of indisputable integrity? It is by observing this moral current that you can cast the horoscope of a nation."

As if by magic, after a few applications, every gray hair in my head was changed to its natural color by using LUBY'S Parisian Hair Renewer. I now use it when I require to oil my hair. Try it and see for yourself. See a bottle.

Conscience Money.

A man walked into the C. P. R. ticket office yesterday morning and said to the clerk, "I owe you \$1.50." The clerk said he had no knowledge of such a debt, but the man was very persistent and at last explained that over eight years ago he had travelled from Chetwynd to Chatter without paying his fare and it has been on his conscience ever since. He paid a receipt was given. It is said that he spent Sunday in the city and attended one of the churches and during the sermon had made up his mind to refund the money he had defrauded the company of.

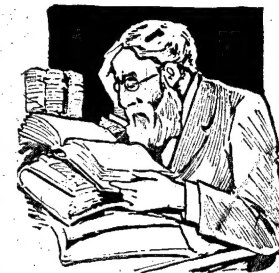
Beeves for England.

The C.P.R. during the past week has been conveying a trainload or two each day, of big broad-backed fat cattle, bound for the English market. These cattle bear ample evidence of capability of the Northwest Territories to produce the finest beeves in the world.

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A POST-NUPIAL ODE

We used to walk together in the twilight,
He whispering tender words so sweet and low,
As down the green lanes when the dew was fall-
ing.
And through the woodlands where the birds were
calling
—We wandered in those hours so long ago;
But now no more we walk in purple gloaming
Adown the lanes, my love and I—ah, me!
The time has passed for such romantic roaming.
He holds the baby while I'm getting tea.

We used to sit—with lamp turned low—together
And talk of love and its divine effects,
When nights were long and wintry was the
weather;
Far nobler he than knight with knightly feather
And I to him the loveliest of my sex.
Now, oft when wintry winds howl round the gar-
den,
Immured in smoke, he pores o'er gold and
stocks,
The fact ignored that just across the table
The loveliest of her sex sits darning socks.

—Anon.

THE RIGHTFUL KING

He Was a Mental Wreck, But He
Gave His Life For Another.

Not even the hideous pile of red brick could spoil the beauty of the asylum gardens upon an evening in June. The huge house stood on a hillside in one of the fairest spots that ever man helped nature to make. Roses were opening on all sides, and here and there a late daffodil still lingered to make the red roses jealous with its simpler beauty.

Among the trumpets of the convolvulus sat the rightful king. He was not in state robes, nor did he wear any outward insignia of royalty. Indeed he wore a suit of decent and serviceable corduroys and a soft felt hat, which he found more comfortable than a crown. On the bench by his side was a pile of parchment deeds and legal looking papers.

The rightful king sat with his hands hanging loosely and a vacant, soulless stare in his watery old eyes. His lower lip had dropped, and his whole face was absolutely destitute of intelligence. For the moment one saw a mere statue of flesh and no more.

Suddenly footsteps were heard approaching, and there was a tinkle of feminine laughter coming through the flowers. A light began to flicker back into the lunatic's face, making it weak indeed, but not more brute, as it had been before. Two young ladies, in cool summer frocks, accompanied by a tall young man in tweeds and with the ribbon of an Oxford college on his hat, came walking down the gravel path, laughing as they came.

The rightful king became violently agitated. He shook with eagerness, and pleading came into his eyes like the yearning look of an unfledged dog.

"Would Miss Bremmell notice him?" That was the great question. Miss Bremmell as rightful king was, he well knew, one which was not well established.

Many of the other inmates of the asylum resented it and wished to attract notice for themselves, and their

bugle, blow," time. They arrived at the stile. They started to look back down the long and leafy avenue through which they had come. It was all irradiated with the long, level glow of the sunset. A tiny black figure at the far end, which seemed to be moving toward them, gave the scene just that little necessary note of human contrast which made it perfect.

They said good night, and the Gilted girl strolled away into the purpling shadows, where she was destined to hear what she had never suspected—that love is, after all, the only higher mathematics worth the attention of a girl with soft hands and wavy hair.

Miss Bremmell walked slowly back, thinking placidly of their little romance. Suddenly she heard footsteps at her side. Some one had come out from the trees and was pacing with her. She turned hurriedly toward the sound. A man was walking by her with a peculiarly gliding, springy step. He was very tall, with a dark and rather sinister face. He was dressed in the uniform of the asylum, only with one difference—on his head he wore a yellow cap and round his arm was a broad band of yellow cloth.

She shrunk back with a sick terror, flowing round and round her heart like icy water. The man was one of the "dangerous" cases, and she was alone with him at nightfall, too far away to scream for aid. She was paralyzed with fear. Suddenly he turned on her with a swift snarl like a treacherous animal. He caught her by the arms and carried her to the nearest tree, leaning her against it.

"I've wanted something like this for a long time," he said. She observed he had the voice and accents of a gentleman. He took a long strip of cloth from his pocket and made her fast to the trunk of the tree with it.

He drew a table knife from his pocket. The avenue was now almost dark. As he came up to her a sound of shuffling came from among the trees, foolish, wayward shuffling, in a broad Gloucestershire accent. They distinguished the words:

"I be the rightful king
Of England, thine England."

Early in the afternoon the rightful king had been digging in a plantation of larches. He had left his spade and was now coming to fetch it.

Miss Bremmell heard the voice and gave one cry for help. The knife was dangerously near her. The rightful king came shambling up. He saw the girl tied to the tree and the man with the knife. He flung himself upon the madman with a great cry of pity and anger.

They rolled over and over on the ground, struggling furiously, but at last the old man was mastered. He was no match for the other's demonic strength. The girl saw the knife rise and fall, and then the air was suddenly full of whistles and plop dancing lights. There were crowds of people pressing round her, and she fainted in her father's arms.

The body of the rightful king lay upon the sward. There was nothing poetic about it. In truth it was even more foolish than its life.

NEWSPAPER SCOOPS.

THE BANE AND THE NIGHTMARE OF A JOURNALIST'S LIFE.

What a "Beat" Means to the Man With a "Nose For News"—The Peculiarities of Securing Inside News by Washington Correspondents.

They were all newspaper men, and they were all so united on the proposition under consideration that they did not interrupt the man who was doing the talking.

"Scoops," said the sharp nosed reporter to the others, "are the bane and the nightmare of a newspaper man's life, from the proprietor and managing editor down to the Maltese office cat. Many a man occupies a 'desk' today because of a good 'beat,' and many another man is engaged in a more humble occupation because he failed to see one. Scoops constitute the seesaw of journalistic life.

"A newspaper man is as touchy on this subject as a woman on her back hair; justly so, because a standard is formed by which his journalistic talents are largely rated and his salary in accordance. If the city editor asks him too often why he didn't get it, he finally gets it where the fowl gets the ax, and a new man appears on his former assignment.

"Editors, however, are usually considerate with a good man, for the latter will scoop his rival as often as he himself is scooped—perhaps oftener—and it thus even itself up. Sometimes, however, the wielder of the blue pencil has an attack of acute indigestion, like the rest of us, and things are apt to be unpleasant.

"A good big 'beat' fills the entire office with hilarious joy, and particularly the lucky reporter rejoices. It oftentimes means an increase in salary. The office of the chief rival contemporary is thrown into corresponding gloom.

"The city editor is the adjutant general of the force. Usually he is as considerate as his duty to the proprietor permits. Nearly all are graduates from the ranks. Where the magazine 'newspaper story' writer finds the city editor he usually portrays has always been a deep, dull mystery to me. He may treat our editors to be kind to the magazine story writers as their 'stories' sometimes relate, but to his force he does not carry a drawn sword in his left hand and a pen dipped in red-hot caustic in his right. He knows that of the men in an army are his peers, capable of being 'shot' at a moment's notice and running it as well as he.

"The new you have and now you haven't is your profession, as well it is illustrated by a little anecdote that happened in Washington a few years ago, and it proves the element of luck in the matter of securing news.

"It was understood whether congress would pass a read a certain important national news. The New York papers were especially anxious about it. The drift of opinion among the correspondents was that it would

A HOBO ON A TRAIN.

His Brief Interview With a Brake-man and the Conductor.

"I spent several hours in a small country town not far from here a few days ago," said a young professional man of this city, "and to kill time I joined the usual group in the corner grocery store. One of the crowd was a freight brakeman, and he told a story about a tramp who was stealing a ride on the bumpers during his last run.

"The conductor seep big first," he said, "and when he came back to the caboose he said, says he: 'Bill, there's a blamed ugly looking hobo on the trucks behind the first car. Suppose you go up and fire him off.' 'All right, cap,' says I, and starts, front. When I gets to the first car, I looks down, and, sure enough, there was a big, greasy hobo squattin on the edge, holdin on to the brake iron. 'Hi, there!' says I, 'what'd you mean by tryin to beat the road? We're goin slow now, and you hop right off!' The hobo reached around into his pocket and pulled out a gun about a yard long. When he pointed it at me, it looked like a piece of stovepipe. 'You freckle nosed baboon,' says he: 'if you don't go 'bout your business real sudden, I'll cave your face in! Skip!' says he. I skipped.

"When I got back to the caboose, the conductor says, 'Well, Bill, did you fire the hobo?' 'No,' says I, 'I didn't. In chatin with him,' I says, 'I found out we was kin, and I didn't really have the heart to bounce the poor fellow.' 'Well, I'll do it myself, then,' says the conductor, gettin hot, and away he goes over the tops. Pretty soon I could hear him cussin back lickety split, on a dead run. He slid down the brake iron like a streak of greased lightning and dropped into the caboose seat all out of breath. 'Did you fire him?' says I. 'No,' says he, 'sort of faint. 'Why, how was that?' says I, pretendin to be surprised. 'Well, I'll tell you,' says he, confidential. 'It's funny, but, if you know, when we got to talkin, I found out he was some kin to me too.'—Chicago Inter Ocean.

A FISH-CATCHING FISH.

He Has a Mouth One-third the Size of His Body.

Most remarkable of strange fishes is the angler fish, whose very name seems a paradox. The fishing fish is nevertheless a reality and a story to all that approach those weird, jaws of his. With a body the color of mud he generally lies in the shadow of some rock on the bottom of the sea, waiting for the approach of his prey. He is provided with an odd kind of fin just over the mouth, and this is held out in front of him to give way to the coming of something to be swallowed. Once taken alive was experimented on, and it was found that if the projecting fin was removed with a stick, even though the stick did not come near the mouth, the jaws closed convulsively. This shows that the fin has an electric quality, and that



Fatherless.

There's something about the little black dress that touches a man in a very tender spot. He pats the little one on the head, puts some pennies in her hand, swallows hard and then—starts out to make his own children fatherless. There is no doubt that many a man is taken from his family by neglect of simple precautions which would preserve his health. Disease generally begins nowadays in "stomach trouble" because the meals are hasty and the food not digested. From that beginning come disorders of the blood, liver, kidneys, heart or nerves. The use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, for diseases of the organs of digestion and nutrition will avert the catastrophe of more serious disease. It strengthens the stomach, purifies the blood, nourishes the nerves, and builds men up in both brain and body.

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J. G. GAUDREAU, Proprietor.

Arlington Hotel

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and a yearling came into his eyes like the pleading look of an unfledged dog. "Would Miss Brennuil notice him?" That was the great question. His position as rightful king was, he well knew, one which was not well established.

Many of the other inmates of the asylum resented it and wished to attract notice, for themselves and their foolish whims by minimizing his importance.

The visitors came up. "This, Lucy," said Miss Brennuil, the chaplain's daughter, to her friend, "this, Lucy, is the rightful king of England."

"If I had my rights, miss," said the old man, "I should be a sitting on Queen Victoria's throne now."

"Incidentally," said the young man from Oxford, "he fills up his time doing a little gardening. Your majesty is fond of flowers?"

"That I be, sir," said the rightful king, touching his hat, forgetting his dignity or perhaps finding the habits of his former life in the world without the walls too strong for him.

"When I comes into my own, miss," he went on, "you shall have all the diamonds out of the Tower of London. I shan't want 'em."

His voice sank a little and grew thin. The momentary animation died away from the foolish face. He could not think of anything more to say. He began to whistle.

The three young people looked at him physically, and then, with a word of farewell, passed on their way.

"I am coming as far as the end of the gardens, dear," said the chaplain's daughter to her guest. "I've no doubt Mr. Fraser will see you over the fields."

The young man gave her a look of deep gratitude. "Wonderful tact," he thought to himself.

"I hope you've not been made miserable by going over the asylum," said Miss Brennuil. "Of course, I am quite used to it, and it doesn't affect me as it must affect others."

"It is rather depressing," said the girl. "I dare say you'll think me unfeeling and horrible, but if persons become hopelessly insane—really hopelessly, you know—I can't help feeling it would be better for them and for everybody else if they were painlessly put out of the way."

"You haven't lived among mad people, as I have," said the chaplain's daughter quietly. "You'd be surprised how sensible many of them are and how good also. I don't suppose that poor old rightful king ever had an unkind thought in his life. He's a dear old thing and is always bringing me flowers. He's devoted to me."

"Aren't any of the inmates violent sometimes?" inquired the young man.

"Oh, none on this side of the building. They are harmless. Dangerous cases are kept in a separate wing. You can just see the roof over the trees. Of course I'm never allowed to go there."

"How terrible it all seems!" the girl said, as they entered the last long avenue, which led them to the hillside beyond.

The sun began to make ready to slip behind the hill, and it was now what the Tennyson student called "Blew-

strength. The girl saw the knife rise and fall and then the air was suddenly full of whistles and red dancing lights. There were crowds of people pressing round her, and she fainted in her father's arms.

The body of the rightful king lay upon the sward. There was nothing poetic about it. In truth it was even more foolish than in life.

"Poor old rightful king," said one of the keepers. "He died for missy. Who'd have thought it? He's gone from his kingdom now."

"This is his coronation day," said the chaplain gently. "Mainly About People."

An Eskimo Legend of the Raven.

The following fable of how the raven became black is common to every Eskimo household. Once upon a time all their stories begin in this way: the owl and raven were fast friends. Indeed, they were so intimate that they spent most of their time together and had things in common, like brother and sister.

One day the raven made a dress of dapple white and black for the owl, and the latter, not to be outdone in generosity, made a pair of nice white bone boots and presented them to the raven and, not content with this, went to work upon a white dress. When the raven was asked to try it on, she merely ran and skinned it out and refused to sit still.

"Be quiet a little while," cried the owl angrily. "If you do, I will spill the lamp over you."

But the raven paid no attention to the threat and refused to cease the owl.

At last, in his vexation, the owl dashed the sooty oil of his lamp over the white suit of the raven and cried out, "Qua qua!"

From that day a misfortunate raven has worn a black suit.—San Francisco Call.

When the Cowboy Is a Hero.

"I am very fond of the genuine cowboy, now fast disappearing," says Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady, narrating his experiences as "A Missionary Into the Great West" in "The Ladies' Home Journal." "I've ridden and hunted with him, eaten and laughed with him, camped and slept with him, wrestled and prayed with him, and I always found him a rather good sort—fair, honorable, generous, kindly, loyal to his friends, his own worst enemy. The impression he makes when he rides through a town in a drunken revel, shooting miscellaneous at everything, is a deservedly bad one, I grant you, but you should see him on the prairie in a 'round up' or before a 'stampede.' There he is a hero."

Dormant Bank Accounts.

In the Bowery Savings Bank, New York, there are about 450 dormant accounts, representing \$51,000. Under the head of "dormant" accounts are placed those which have given no sign of life in the way of draft or deposit for 22 years. These accounts result from many causes, such as crime, loss of memory or reason, sudden death or neglect on the part of the depositor to make a proper memorandum of where he placed his money.

lustrated by a little acquaintance that happened in Washington a few years ago, and it proves the element of luck in the matter of securing news.

"It was undecided whether congress would pass a read a certain very important national measure. The New York papers were especially 'anxious' about it. The drift of opinion among the correspondents was that it would not so pass. On Monday night, say, the correspondent of one of the metropolitan morning dailies wired his paper that it positively would not go through. This paper had been 'talking that end' of the bill all along.

"The correspondent of a rival morning paper had drawn the same conclusions from his day's investigations at the capitol. He was on his way down the west marble steps when he met a member to whose opinion on the probable fate of the bill he attached great weight. The member declared that the bill would positively be passed, unamended and unchanged, at the opening of the session the following day.

"The correspondent cast his own contrary opinions and those of the members he had interviewed to the winds. He wired that night that the bill would certainly pass the following day. It did. Its passage was a surprise to the country."

"Before night the other correspondent was 'believed' of his position by telegraph. One made a bold hazard against his own judgment, took that of another and won. The other conscientiously obeyed the dictates of his conclusions, based largely upon the opinions of men who were in a position to advise him correctly, and lost.

"This case also illustrates the peculiarity of securing news by Washington correspondents. It is sul generis. Rules which obtain in other cities are impracticable here. Most of the correspondents are picked men, who earn and command good salaries. But one of their most important functions is to make acquaintances with men in official and congressional life. It is an important element in his profession to know who to 'see' about a piece of news, and the little interview in question between the correspondent and the congressman on the west steps is but an example of 'everyday episodes in the life of a Washington correspondent.'—Washington Star.

Change For Both.

"You need a change," said the doctor. "I think you should take a trip to Europe."

"Well, doctor," said the man with a large and expensive family, "you need a change, too, I'm thinking."

"Really?"

"Yes. I want to change your mind."

Agreed.

The Mistress—Bridget, you must stay until I get another girl.

Bridget—That was my Intenshun, anyway. I want her to know the kind of a woman ye are!—Harper's Bazar.

Solomon was the wisest of men. He knew enough to cut his copy up into short paragraphs. In that way he succeeded in getting his writings read.—Boston Transcript.

just over the mouth, and this was held out in front of him to give warning of the coming of something to be swallowed. One taken alive was experimented on, and it was found that if this projecting fin was touched with a stick, even though the stick did not come near the mouth, the jaws closed convulsively. This shows that the fin, by some provision of nature, closes the jaws as soon as it is touched.

The mouth is tremendous, growing to the width of a foot when the whole fish is only three feet long. One of these anglers was caught not long since, and, though it was only 25 inches long, a fish 15 inches long was found sticking in its throat. The angler is provided with peculiar teeth set in double or treble rows along the jaws and at the entrance of the throat. Some of these teeth are a foot long. He is not a pretty fish to look at, but he attends strictly to business and will swallow anything that touches his waiting fin, whether it is meant for food or not.

All kinds of things have been found in the stomachs of anglers, from bits of lead and stone to fish almost as large as the angler itself. This is without doubt one of the most peculiar and interesting fish in the whole ocean.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Tired Housekeepers.

Disordered Kidneys bring them a multitude of pains and aches.



How often women give out before the day's work is fairly begun and sink into a chair utterly worn out.

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For my life would frame to their
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One of our three soul was borne
An angel's mission, left at summer's wind.
There in a swirl, which heaven has made for thee;
To face and find, go forth and find.

These three who wandered o'er earth,
To land and sea, to home and foreign shore,
Finding your eyes he gazed and knew
His search was o'er, his search was o'er.
—Alfred Robyn.

The Chimes of Limerick.

A Beautiful Story of How the Bells
Found Their Way to the Banks
of the Shannon.

Nearly half a century ago, before
various provinces of Italy had been
united in the monarchical gov-
ernment, there lived in the city of
Genoa a young man called Giuseppe
Giovanni. For many centuries the fam-
ily of Giovanni had been makers of
bells and chimes.

Giuseppe's father had made some of
the most famous chimes that rang in
Italy, but had never succeeded in ac-
quiring his son. It had been his
ambition to make a set of chimes
for the whole world would come to
be bells of heavenly tone. The elder
man was a hot-headed man, a
big, strong man, and rather too free
with his tongue. A few ill-chosen sentences
were his usual manner, and one day as
he was hard at work on an old
bell, his father's chimes a little
behind the door of his father, with a
big, strong man in his back, was
seen to be a little shop and
opened to the son.

Giuseppe said the dying man,
out of patience and have only in
his hands, strive only for your dear,
and you may succeed where
others failed. And for the very
best, and may God grant that you
succeed it.

After his father's death found
young man had at work in his
shop. When his father died, he had
made a vow to perpetuate the ideal
of his father had finally struggled
with the bell at which he was work-
ing was rough, heavy, long and broad,
and covered with a confusion of tools,
and metal and undisturbed bells.
The corner of the bench was a collec-
tion of rattling forks of various sizes
and shapes. At one side of the tuning
was a dusty old violin and a stu-
pid, silver-mounted drum. In the rear
of the shop were a small furnace, a
stove, and a heap of scrap
metal, covered with dirt and rust. The
bench of the shop consisted of several
benches covered with rough
boards, which hundreds of spiders
were crawling over. From one
bench, a long, slender chapter
book lay open, with a large brass
bell was inserted with

muscle tense. Then he sat back in his
seat with a smile of joy that was al-
most beatific. The heavenly chimes
were complete. His work was done,
and now thousands would stand
speechless, struck dumb with the mag-
nificent melody of his chimes—his
bells. He with his own hands would
make such music with his bells that
wherever they were the whole world
would come to hear them. These were
the thoughts that filled the mind of the
young musician-mechanic as he listened
to the reverberating melody of the
tone of the last bell. Then he fell back
in his chair and the color fled from his
face. The fever, which his untiring
energy had kept off for so long, seized
him at last.

The next morning a neighbor passing
by the shop chanced to look in the win-
dow and saw the form of the fever
stricken young man lying across his
workbench. He went inside, thinking
that he might be dead, and when he
found what his real trouble was lifted
Giuseppe to the cot he had used for a
bed in the back of the shop. A phy-
sician was summoned, and an old wo-
man was sent to nurse him.

For five weeks Giuseppe tossed on
his cot raving about his bells—"his
glorious chimes"—his children with
the heavenly voices.

In order to go on with his work in
making his set of chimes Giuseppe had
been compelled to borrow. What little
his father had left behind him had
been exhausted before the end of the
first year. He had borrowed on the
strength of the generous sum that had
been promised him by the cathedral
which was to have his chimes. When
he fell sick and gave promise never to
return his health again, the bailiffs
came and took away his chimes to
satisfy his creditors.

But Giuseppe Giovanni did not well.
His health came back, and when he
was strong enough to get up, it is
cough he went to find his children's
bells. His first thought was to hear
again their voices, to make them sing
such melodies as the world had never
heard, as no bells had ever sung. And
when he found that they were gone, the
young man, he could not realize that
they were gone. Who could have
come and taken away his bells, his
children, whose conception had taken
years-long years of unremitting toil?
He went to the physician who had
tended him during his fever and was
told that the bailiffs had come to his
shop and taken them for his creditors.

He went to the bailiffs and was told
that his chimes had been sold at pub-
lic sale to the highest bidder, a foreign-
er whose name or country was not
known to them. He begged them to let
him give him some clue that might
lead him to the purchaser. They told
him gently and unceremoniously that it
was none of their concern who bought
his chimes so long as they were sold and
his creditors satisfied. There was a
little money over the chimes, and he
told him he was told a few lines of
the song the offered money in their
hands and left them, his heart broken. His
spirit gone.

That night he sat before his bench
in the little shop, his chin resting on
his hand, the picture of a despairing

Home Life in Porto Rico.

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as in other matters.

Austrian bent wood furniture and also
wickerwork and willow ware consti-
tute the main equipment of the par-
lors and living rooms. Upholstered fur-
niture is unknown and undesired. Little
or no attempt being made at decoration
except in the matter of embroidery and
fine handmade lace work. Hundreds
of yards of crochet work are used in
the embellishment of a single canopied
bed. This work is the chief delight of
the Porto Rican housewife.

The walls are for the most part bare,
but here and there a painting of merit
may be seen. The sofa pillow is the
one great feature of the home. It is ev-
erywhere, in every conceivable size,
shape and material. Ferns of gigantic
size and exquisite formation, as well
as broad spreading palm leaves, are
used to festoon the walls and arched
doorways. Cut fresh from day to day,
they render the dark, cool rooms invit-
ing and attractive. Potted tropical
plants in great variety abound within
and without the house.—Harper's Ba-
zar.

A Fisherman's Trick.

"One day I was talking fish with a
number of friends," said an old fisher-
man, "and I made a bet that I could
catch more perch than any other man
in the party in a given time. The
crowd picked out the most experienced
fisherman in the lot and we set a day
to try our luck. The day before the
match I got a large glass jar, filled it
with water and put some minnows in
it. Over the mouth of the jar I put a
piece of parchment in which I had
made some small holes. Then I went
to a point just east of the waterworks,
picked out a likely spot and sank the
jar in the river, fast attaching a cork
float to it by which I could locate it
next day.

"We went out for the fishing match
the following afternoon, and I soon
found my float and anchored there.
The other man located a short distance
away, and we began. The perch were
just beginning to run, and in a little
while I had pulled in 120 perch, while
my opponent got only 24. Then he
gave up, and I won my bet.

"I showed the boys the trick before
they left the fishing ground. You can
always in that way make a good catch
of fish that will allow minnows. The
sign of the fish in the jar always at
times a cork float and seems to put
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Ladies' Blouses, 25 cents, 50 cents fast colors; Duck Blouses, 75 cents at The Fair.

The Baptist Tabernacle excursion to Sultana Island on Thursday and the Catherine S. was largely attended, and as the weather was delightful, proved a splendid outing for old and young. A program of sports was provided for the children.

has been transferred to the Crooked lake reserve at Broadview, Assa. This will be unwelcome news to the residents of Fort Frances and the Indians of the Rainy Lake district, for both he and Mrs. Begg were very popular and everyone enjoyed their hospitality at Pither's Point. Besides his duties in connection with the Indians, Mr. Begg was an enthusiast in regard to fruit growing in the Rainy River district, and believes it will yet be a great source of profit to the farmers there. Last year, through his solicitations the department sent him 40 trees which he planted and all are growing except four and two of them bore apples this year. He also says the old tree planted by Mr. Pither some years ago is loaded with beautiful apples of excellent flavor. This surely is evidence of the possibility of fruit growing in the Rainy River district. Mr. Wright, of Broadview takes Mr. Begg's place.

The Rogers Clothing Co. has purchased the bankrupt stock formerly owned by Max Rothchild and will sell it in the store next to the Hilliard House.

We are in receipt of a very pretty and useful whist and game counter with the compliments of A. S. Cuthbert, the hustling cash tailor, of Cuthbert street. You can always count on Cuthbert when you want something up to date in the suit line.

Dr. McFarlane, dentist, has removed his office to the new Brydon block, over the Bank of Ottawa. His new office is bright, well lighted and fitted up with all the latest conveniences, all of which will be appreciated by his patients.

Work on the improvements in the C.P.R. Yards here are about completed. The steam shovel, which has been working at Margach pit since early in the spring, has been taken to Kamanistiquia.

There is no change to report in the C.P.R. strike from last week. The strikers' committee have held several conferences with heads of departments but apparently without result.

The many friends of Dr. and Mrs. Macdonnell heard with deep regret of the death of their 11-months-old son Colin, which happened at 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. The funeral took place on Tuesday.

Hear Miss Mawhinney, the talented Torontosoprano, at the Concert Thursday next Aug. 30 in Opera House.

A meeting of Conservatives will be held in Nicholson's hall tonight, (Friday) at eight o'clock sharp. Business of importance will be taken up, and all Conservatives are requested to be present and take part in the discussion.

Don't forget the concert in the Opera House next Thursday Ev'g. under auspices of St. Alban's church.

The Kenora will run another of its popular Saturday afternoon excursions

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Concert on Thursday Evening Under the Auspices of St. Alban's Church.

The season will be opened next Thursday, Aug. 30th, with a grand concert in the Opera House, under the auspices of St. Alban's church choir. On the programme some of the leading musicians and singers of the town will appear, and a quartette of mixed voices will be a feature of the evening. The choir has secured Miss Mawhinney, a young and talented soprano, of Toronto. Miss Mawhinney has been visiting in the west, and returns to Toronto to resume her duties in the Elm St. Methodist church, where she is soprano soloist. The Owen Sound Times says of this young lady: "The appearance of Miss Mawhinney as soprano soloist introduced to Owen Sound a young lady who fairly sang herself into the hearts of the audience. With simple sweetness of personality, with a voice of rare richness and register, Miss Mawhinney sang a number of solos, some of them decidedly difficult compositions. Invariably an encore followed, and there came a response in some well-beloved Irish or Scotch song which captivated the audience."

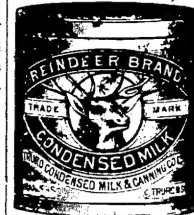
The plan of seats will open at Johnson's, Monday, Aug. 27.

Rev. John C. Coleman was in Winnipeg this week in connection with inducing 100,000 colored people to settle in Manitoba.

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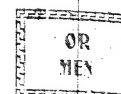
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The firemen will hold a meeting this
evening to make arrangements for tak-
ing part in the Labor Day celebration.

Several local men are buying Beaver
Hills town lots on "spec," as it is
thought this will be made a divisional
point on the new Rainy River Railway.

The str. Shamrock ran an excursion
to Rapid River last Sunday and those
who went report a good time.

Crockery and Glassware, Teware
and Graniteware very cheap at The
Fair.

Grey and White Blankets \$2 pair at
The Fair.

The Winnipeg opera house orchestra
composed of Messrs. Barrowclough,
Hollman, Souers, Ward and Bowman,
left on Wednesday evening on the
Keenora for a trip to Bancroftville.
They were accompanied by Miss Hill-
man, Miss McKenzie and Mrs. Cran-
ston. The orchestra lightened the trip
by occasional selections.

The Loyal True Blues held a suc-
cessful excursion to Carmichael
beach on Tuesday afternoon on the
str. Shamrock. The Keewatin was
in attendance. Dancing and games
made the afternoon and evening
pleasantly.

Major Bege, Indian agent at E.
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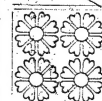
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The millinery advance guard is here. New
Hats and Trimmings—beautiful, tasteful affairs,
which are a glimpse of oncoming styles still in
the cases. But wait, you are sure to be interested.
Milliner will get here first week in September.

Dress-making.

Large airy rooms now almost ready. Carpen-
ters with their noise are now a thing of the past;
painters are at it now, but all will be in ship-shape
for the coming of our dress-maker first week in
September.

Dress Goods.

Autumn assortments are here—not one bit too
early to show them. They show the tendency of
fashion for Fall; therefore they will be welcomed
even in the summer days by fashionable women.
Call, you will then be posted on Dress Goods mat-
ters for the coming season.

Corsets.

Every good kind is here. We pay particular
attention to our Corset stock; we select only those
brands which are the best. One thing is certain,
no mean, miserable corsets can enter here. We
are satisfied to handle only the best makes. Call
and see.

Tailor-made Suits.

Some very crisp natty suits make their initial
bow this morning. They tell in their own quiet
way the story of coming autumn fashions in
Dress Goods. Come and see.

Women's Umbrellas.

Stylish close-rolling umbrellas that will wear
satisfactorily. They came to us by chance so that
we can mark them about one quarter less than
usual. Just a few of them, so you'd better be quick.

Remember Friday

Bargain Day is a day when Shoppers at our

Come and Pick

Over your Dress before the stock gets picked
over and we will make it up for you very soon in
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prising to you. Fruit Jars on Friday. Special. Very suitable for Breakfast during this warm
season. Cream of Wheat, 20c; Shredded Wheat Biscuits, 15c; Pettijohn's Breakfast Food, 15c; and
various other Breakfast Foods. Outing with a well provided Basket. Baskets all sizes—filled with
tempting delicacies—Potted Chicken, Duck, Turkey, Boneless Pigs' Feet, 25c; Chicken, Partridge,
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